

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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USE OF GUEST HOUSES FOR CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES IN DELHI

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the militants and other criminals use many guest houses in Delhi as their hideouts;
- (b) whether many of these guest houses are illegal;
- (c) if so, the action taken against the illegal guest houses; and
- (d) the steps taken to check their activities in the Capital?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONS, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

- (a): In some isolated instances, militants or other criminals were arrested by Delhi Police from Hotels/Guest Houses.
- (b): Some of these Guest Houses were found to be operating in Delhi without valid licenses.
- (c): The Guest Houses/Hotels found running without valid licenses are challaned in accordance with the provisions of the Delhi Police Act, 1978.
- (d) The steps taken by Delhi Police to check their activities include regular inspection of suspect Guest Houses and Hotels; Collection of intelligence about illegal activities being performed from these Guest Houses; and strict watch on the Guest Houses earlier used by criminals/militants.